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FM AMEMBASSY PANAMA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 7574

INFO AMEMBASSY DAKAR

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1. EMBASSY HAS JUST RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM LOCAL AGENT FOR "VOYAGER", WHO STATED THAT TUNA BOAT "JOFONDOR" HAD BEEN TAKEN BY A PANAMANIAN GUNBOAT OFF COIBA ISLAND AND ESCORTED IN TO COIBA. AGENT SAID HIS INFORMATION HAD COME FROM RADIO CALL THIS AFTERNOON FROM "JOFONDOR" SISTER SHIP, WHICH HAD BEEN IN SAME AREA AT TIME; CONNECTION WAS VERY BAD BUT AGENT BELIEVED SEIZURE TOOK PLACE THIS AFTERNOON, APRIL 29.

2. AGENT REPORTED THAT "JOFONDOR" IS REGISTERED OUT OF SENEGAL, AND IS OWNED BY GOVERNMENT OF REPUBLIC OF SENEGAL. AGENT IS NOW TRYING TO FIND OUT WHICH LOCAL EMBASSY OR CONSULATE REPRESENTS SENEGALESE INTERESTS IN PANAMA.

3. AGENT STATED THAT IT WAS DEFINITE THAT "JOFONDOR" HAD NOT BEEN FISHING AT TIME OF SEIZURE; SHE HAD DEPARTED PUNTARENAS, COSTA RICA, SHORTLY BEFORE AND WAS MAKING DIRECT COURSE FOR PANAMA CITY TO OFF-LOAD CARGO OF FISH AT TABOGA ISLAND.

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4. FYIFOR DAKAR: AGENT IN QUESTION REPRESENTS OWNERS

OF LARGE NUMBER OF TUNA BOATS, INCLUDING US-OWNED "VOYAGER"
WHICH WAS SUBJECT OF GOP PROTEST EARLIER THIS WEEK,
AND WHOSE CASE IS UNDER DISCUSSION WITH GOP. AGENT INFORMED
EMBASSY OF THIS APPARENT SEIZURE SINCE HE FELT IT MIGHT
HAVE RELATIONSHIP TO "VOYAGER" MATTER. END FYI FOR DAKAR

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